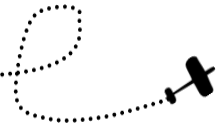




AIRPORT BUZZ

Nut Tree Airport, Vacaville California - Fall 2024



Crack Sealing the Airport Terminal Building Parking Lot – Wed October 16



Airport management has received word that County Public Works staff will be on site Wednesday October 16th from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, crack sealing the pavement in front of the Terminal Administration Building. This treatment helps prolong the life of the pavement from 3-5 years. We apologize in advance for the inconvenience, but we will not be able to have any cars parked on that lot during the work from 7 AM to 5 PM. Signs will be posted directing customers to park in the field in front of the Rowland Freedom Center. Thank you for your help and cooperation.

Upcoming Office Closures

Please be aware that the Airport Office will be closed October 14th for Indigenous Peoples' Day. If you have Airport business to conduct, please plan accordingly.

Nut Tree Airport Advisory Committee (NTAAC) Meeting

The next Nut Tree Advisory Committee Meeting will be held in the Airport conference room on October 23rd at 6:00 PM. An agenda for the meeting will be sent out to all Nut Tree tenants and businesses prior to the meeting. The meeting will include a presentation by Paul Koscheka an Agency Manager with the FAA who will be speaking about friendly flying practices.

Rowland Freedom Center Event

Kudos to the Staff and Volunteers at Rowland Freedom Center for a successful Planes, Trains and Automobiles event this past month. Paul Mirich, the General Manager of the Freedom Center reports that over the 2 days that the event was held, they had about 1,500 visitors and grossed \$16,000. Their next event will be held on October 19th at 12:30 PM and is part of their Faces of Freedom Speaker series, featuring Jeanne Gibson, an original "Rosie the Riveter", to speak about the sacrifices made by American women on the home front during WWII.

Taxilane Reconstruction

Great news – Nut Tree Airport received all of its FAA requested grant dollars - \$2.66 Million – for the next phase of the Northeast Hangar Taxilane Reconstruction, Phase 2A. We also have received another \$132,000 from the State in matching funds. It was no small effort to make that happen and involved close work on the part of the County's Purchasing staff, County Counsel and Mead & Hunt, and of course, your Airport staff.

The contractor for the project, OC Jones & Son, has been awarded the contract and will be starting the construction next Spring 2025, once the rains have ended and the ground is dried out.

Staff will be holding a special meeting in the next few weeks to go into more details about the project and to seek input on construction processes and procedures. The date will be announced by email.

Parking in Airport Parking Lot



You may have noticed an increase in the number of cars in the Airport parking lot. Airport administration is working on a long-term solution between the County and Enterprise, but in the meantime, we ask that our tenants be considerate in where you park. If you will be leaving your car in the parking lot for longer than one night, please consider using the parking spaces in the middle row of the lot and not the spaces directly in front of the building.

Preventative Maintenance on the Airfield

As we transition from Summer months to Fall and Winter months, Airport staff would appreciate help from our tenants in observing any preventative maintenance issues that need attention. Please let staff know if you see drains with potential clogging issues, or light fixtures on either the apron or runway that are not working properly. We ask that you be mindful of opening large hangar doors in windy conditions above 20 mph, which historically has caused significant and costly issues to the doors. Staff also asks your help in notifying them if any hangar maintenance is needed on County hangars. We'd like to complete it before the start of the rainy weather. Your help in this regard is appreciated!

Young Eagles



Young Eagles will be holding their next event on Saturday, October 19th from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM, with their final event scheduled for November 16th (depending on weather). This year they have flown a total of 116 kids, with 25 pilots and a total of 27 volunteers. We are grateful for those who have volunteered their time and efforts to make this a successful season for the Young Eagles and to help kids experience the excitement of aviation.

Airport Elevator

This past month, Dream Ride, the elevator service provider, completed the replacement of the elevator pump which was causing loud clunking noises whenever it fired up. They then realized that the elevator was moving too fast and had to install a different pump. The elevator is a little slower now, but is within elevator specifications and it rides very smoothly and quietly. Thanks to our tenants and stakeholders for your patience.

Grants

Our resident Burrowing Owl has been safely evicted from under the taxilane closest to the Solano Community College hangar. Our owl flew the coop several months ago but to meet all the environmental requirements, we had to wait until after the owl nesting season was over (August).



Grants that are in the works:

Next Taxilane Hangar Reconstruction, Phase 2B, is 90% designed and under review by FAA

Airport Layout Plan – we are halfway through and expecting to start seeing the actual layout, and then going through the County and FAA approvals

Transition from Epic to World Oil

On July 25th, World Oil Services signed an agreement to acquire Epic Fuels, which is the Airport's contracted fuel provider. The formal transition from Epic to World Oil took place on October 1st. World Oil Services has assumed the terms of our current fuel contract through 2025. We do not anticipate any changes to the fuel or services that we provide to tenants, but you may notice some new signage on the airfield.

This recurring publication is for the benefit of our Nut Tree Airport tenants and stakeholders. If you have matters relevant to our Airport Community, and would like it included, please contact Molly Chatwin at the Office.